

MANSFIELD MIRROR

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Mirrorettes

Mayor Lightfoot of Ash Grove died last week.

See Oil Painting—next door to postoffice.—Adv.

The Mansfield Mirror enters upon its 5th year today.

Don't forget Friday, Feb. 25 at the Opera House.—Adv.

The Mansfield High School building burned Friday night.

See the Minstrels at the Opera House Friday night, Feb. 25.—Adv.

Gov. Major has paroled Mike McCarty, a Wright county slayer.

Spring millinery to suit every taste—at Mrs. James Coday's.—Adv.

Rev. Joseph Davis preached at the candle church near Norwood Sunday.

Watch for the date of Mrs. James Coday's millinery opening.—Adv.

Mrs. G. W. Allison of Ava was here this week enroute to Iowa to reside.

Fresh Fish Friday and Saturday.—B. Otto, at M.G. Hensley's store.—Adv.

The Hartville band boys gave a box supper at the court house Tuesday evening.

Mrs. J.A. Hylton and Paul were in Springfield consulting with Dr. Coffelt Saturday.

Admission 25c; reserved seats, 35c; children, 15c, at the Opera House, Feb. 25.—Adv.

Mrs. S.A. Reed of Springfield is visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. N. Farren, and family.

Go to J. D. Reynolds to buy your spring shoes, as he handles the best at all times.—adv.

E. J. Hersher of Mtn. Grove, has sued the Burlington Railroad for \$60,000 damages.

For Tin work and Repairing of all kind see SMALLEY—2d door north of telephone office.—Adv.

Seats on Sale for the M. C. B. Minstrels at Fuson's Drug Store—15c—25c—35c—Adv.

Go to J. D. Reynolds and see the new tailored spring suits—they are fine, at bottom prices—ad.

Sunday's Springfield Republican contained pictures of Dr. F. H. Riley's famous dog, Beauty.

For Ridge Roll Gutter and Down Spouting see SMALLEY, 2d door north telephone office.—Adv.

C. C. Schafer of Springfield was here last week in the interests of the Mountain Grove Creamery.

See the fine Paintings, first door west of postoffice. Artist now Painting—for a few days only.—Adv.

J. F. Allen, Bert Ellis and R. F. Adams of Hartville were here this week enroute home from Springfield.

For Ventilating Flues, Well Casing and Roof Caps see SMALLEY—2d door north of telephone office.—Adv.

Correct styles and right prices at Mrs. James Coday's millinery store. Watch for date of spring opening.—Adv.

How does Brother Lowshoes decide to commit suicide? Come to the Opera House Friday night and see.—Adv.

J. E. Craig, who recently bought the Henry Dennis property, is having the house thoroughly repaired.

Still plenty of Bargains in all departments at the Cash Mercantile Co., the most of the best for the least.—Adv.

Miss Grantham, an experienced trimmer from Springfield, will be in Mrs. James Coday's millinery store this year.

FOR SALE—2½ or 3 acres of land south of Rev. Joseph Davis' place, \$75 per acre.—W. O. WILLIAMS, Mansfield, Mo.—Adv.

W. R. Shirley and wife, two of our very best citizens, appropriately celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Feb. 11. May they celebrate many more wedding anniversaries is the wish of their scores of friends.

Tersely Told Town Tales

Cash Store for Bargains—Adv. Tuesday was Washington's birthday.

W. G. Reynolds has received another car load of Ford autos. M.C.B. Minstrels Friday evening at the opera house. See ad.

Work in three degrees at the I.O.O.F. meeting Saturday evening.

A son has been born to Herbert Curtis and wife of Hartville.

Roy Stacy of Norwood is in jail at Hartville on a peace disturbance charge.

For Repairing of all Kinds see SMALLEY—2d door north of telephone office.—Adv.

The park now presents a fine appearance, a number of our citizens having cleaned it up in good shape.

Forget your troubles by attending the M. C. B. Minstrels at the Opera House Friday night.—Adv.

Mr. Washburn of Mountain Grove has succeeded Hugh Williams as local manager for the Standard Oil Co.

J. W. Roberts of the Roberts Elder Kanning Co., has bought the R. J. Freeman property and will occupy the same.

Don't miss the Auction Sale of Oil Paintings, Saturday 2-30 p.m., first door west of postoffice—2 given free.—Adv.

Thomas Abernathy of Hartville is now assisting Tarah Tarbutton on the Mansfield-Hartville mail line, making one trip daily.

See Fred Dyer, Ava, Mo., about Repairing and Oiling your Harness. Hand-Made Harness a Specialty. Give him a call—Adv.

Sherrill W. I. Creer of Hartville went to Hoxie, Ark. last week and brought back Bert Hutsell who recently broke jail.

B.D. Shirley wife and nephew, Kenneth Shirley, left for their home at Morrison, Okla., after visiting two weeks with their parents.

LOST—Small purse containing some money, ear screws and other articles. Finder leave at J.D. Reynolds' Store and receive reward.—Adv.

Postmaster M. E. Gorman has bought the Hopper property of 1½ acres, near the C.P. church, and will remodel the residence which he will occupy.

Dr. F. B. Fuson, formerly of Mansfield, has been elected president of Anti-Tuberculosis Society of Greene county, organized at Springfield last week.

R. E. Coday's address is ordered changed from Turkey Ford to Miami, Okla., where he goes as general agent of the Franklin Life Insurance Co.

LOST—Lady's watch, 15 jewel Waltham, hunting case. Was lost Saturday, probably near school house, Finder please leave at this office—liberal reward.—ad.

The W. C. T. U. held a Willard meeting Tuesday afternoon at the J.D. Reynolds home. An interesting program was given and refreshments were served. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. C. L. Beach March 14.

Ezra Dennis has moved his carpenter shop from the building occupied by W. T. Norcross' store to the building formerly occupied by Frank Scheuermann's popcorn and peanut stand.

The work of rebuilding the telephone lines, destroyed in the recent sleet storm, is practically completed. The rural lines have also been rebuilt, and we will soon have our accustomed telephone service, which has been greatly missed.

Misses Grace and Laura Shirley left Saturday for western Kansas. Miss Grace has a position as stenographer for E. E. Kite, county attorney of Cheyenne county, and Miss Laura is stenographer and abstractor for W. J. Ratcliff at Atwood, Rawlins county, Kans.

Personal Paragraphs

Henry Strong returned to Hilo today.

J. W. Hight has been here from Pomona.

N. J. Craig was in Springfield this week.

Mrs. W. E. White visited in Ava Friday.

W. J. Tripp's have returned to Waldron, Kas.

Mrs. James Coday was in Norwood this week.

U. E. Smalley was in Mountain Grove this week.

Mrs. J. E. Freeman has returned from Sedalia.

H. C. Tarbutton was a Cedar Gap visitor last week.

Ira M. Davis visited home folks at Ava during the week.

W. C. McCance left Tuesday for Springfield to reside.

Mrs. N. N. Nichols of Kansas City has been visiting here.

J. E. Elder left for his home at Redfield, Kans., yesterday.

Miss Barnes of Norwood is staying at Col. L.O. Neider's.

E.G. Purtle and A.M. Curtis of Hartville were here Tuesday.

W.T. Norcross was in Norwood Thursday afternoon and today.

Mrs. J.H. Martin of Ava is visiting in the home of J. A. Hylton.

Hon. H. S. Wilson of Ava was here Monday enroute to St. Louis.

Mrs. Dixon's brother and his son of Kansas have been visiting here.

Ernest Coday and family of Branson are visiting home folks here.

Mrs. J. C. Carter and Ira McCrite were Macomb visitors last week.

Mrs. B.F. Stone and daughter, Jessie Burl, of Joplin, are visiting here.

J. D. Reynolds and wife are spending a few weeks at Hot Springs, Ark.

Ira Hickox of Hooker, Okla., was here last week looking after his farm near here.

Help the Band. It is worthy of your support—at the Opera House, Feb. 25.—Adv.

Freda and Condo Evans of Marshfield visited at the Jake Hoover home last week.

Timothy Elliott of Sweden has been here pruning the trees in G. S. Burney's orchard.

John Shook of Marshfield has been visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. D.S. Cantrell.

City Marshal Roe Strong was in Springfield this week, assisting the Springfield Traction Co.

Postmaster M. E. Gorman and wife, Mrs. H.C. Vinton and R.R. Riley autoed to Hartville Tuesday.

Mrs. Mick of Effingham, Kan., has been visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. G. Reynolds.

Rev. Joseph Davis went to Norwood today to conduct the funeral of a lady who died in Ogden, Utah.

C. O. Daves and L. H. Pettit of Ava were here Monday enroute to Springfield to bring home the former's new Studebaker car.

Mrs. O.D. Morris and son, Burney Dent, of Springfield, have been visiting at the home of her parents, G. S. Burney and wife.

Mrs. James Coday was in Springfield last week to buy spring millinery. She will also be in the wholesale markets next week.

S. W. Brown was here this week. He has just completed teaching a term of school near Mountain Grove and was enroute to Ava.

Will Starne and family have arrived here from Los Angeles, Cal., and will occupy a part of the farm of his father, R. W. Starne.

Mrs. H. C. Vinton of South Mansfield, La., left this morning to visit relatives at Stafford. She was accompanied to Springfield by her sister, Mrs. M.E. Gorman.

School Notes

We enjoyed our holiday Monday immensely.

For opening exercises in high school Friday morning we had an extended biography of Abraham Lincoln given by a number of students.

Several students were excused Friday afternoon to attend the closing exercises of the Pool school.

Every member of both the senior and junior classes was present Tuesday. These students are in school nearly every day.

This is the week of patriotic songs and the high school pupils are learning some very pretty ones.

Mabel Hoover visited the Seymour high school Monday. On account of the illness of one of their teachers the work is somewhat disturbed, but Mabel reports some features that we hope to put into practice here.

Hulda Rippee enjoyed a visit to her old school at Flat Rock Monday.

The members of the agriculture class are busy at work on their reports on farmers' bulletins.

Flowers are getting to be numerous at school. Misses Osborn and Ellis have each brought several very beautiful hyacinths this week.

Some of the high school boys spent Monday exploring caves and mines in the vicinity of Lead Hill.

A company of Boy Scouts has been organized with Horace Fullington as scout master.

Patriotic programs were given in Miss Gladden's and Miss Ellis's rooms Tuesday afternoon.

Lulu Carter and Blanche Moore visited school Tuesday afternoon.

All pupils who had not been tardy during the month ending Feb. 18 were given a quarter holiday Friday. Those who had been tardy were sent to the assembly room and left in the charge of Prof. Hylton, until he excused them.

Two of the senior girls are wearing very pretty waists made last week in the sewing class.

We are glad to know Eudora Barlow is getting along so well in the Springfield high school.

Mrs. West visited in Miss Gladden's room Tuesday to hear the Washington's birthday program.

At assembly Tuesday morning Prof. Hylton urged the pupils to begin at once the preparation for the close of the term.

The editors of the Mirror gave to our library lately several copies of farm magazines and a few recent numbers of the World's Work.

We are greatly indebted to W. B. Hitchcock for a large book of pictures of live stock of all kinds; to the W. C. T. U. for a beautiful copy of The Life of Frances E. Willard, and to Earl Cauble for some valuable reference books in history.

Miss Osborn spent the vacation with her folks in Springfield. Miss Gladden visited in Cabool and Houston; Miss Ellis went to Hartville Monday; Miss Gaskill enjoyed a trip to the old farm home, and Miss Hoover inspected the Seymour school Monday.

The pupils in the intermediate grades have organized a literary society.

Miss Hoover's pupils went into Miss Gaskill's room Tuesday afternoon to hear the Washington's birthday program.

The basketball game between our team and the boys from High Point was a pretty lively one and resulted in a victory for the M. H. S.—16 to 6.

J. D. Reynolds has just received a car of implements of all kinds, and he handles the best, which he is selling at the old prices. You will save money by buying all your farm implements from him before the big advance—adv.

Mining News

The work being done in the neighborhood of the Dodson Mining Co. is progressing under the direction of Mr. Dolby, of Stillwell, Okla., and J. C. Thornton, of Joplin. The visit of the remainder of this new company was postponed until a later date, but the work will continue, as these properties are "showing up" the deeper they go.

Silicate is found from the grass roots to 40 feet in depth, and any farmer boy with a pick and shovel, if he finds the right spot, can dig out at that depth a ton of this ore in a week, which is worth \$25 a ton.

J. M. Slate arrived this week from Vera Cruz and owns a Keystone drilling outfit, and is looking over the mining field in the vicinity of Mansfield. Mr. Slate has had several years of mining experience, and hopes to be among the prospectors here in the near future.

The property known as the "Sammy-Bly" mine is being worked by Sam Ervin and Chas. Bly. Mr. Irwin worked for the Dodson Mining Co. several years ago, also spent a year in the Aurora mines, and his experiences lead him to believe that they have as good a prospect at the depth of 18 feet as any in the field. Lead in paying quantities at the present price of ore is the present prospect, with some jack in sight.

W. H. Utchman, six miles southwest of Mansfield, has perhaps the finest specimens of ore at the present writing. At a depth of 18 feet this shaft shows a rich vein of lead, a specimen of which can be seen at W. B. Hitchcock's real estate office.

Hugh Williams, in prospecting at a depth of 8 feet, has a fine outlook for what is known as a "two o'clock fissure". He intends to continue activities.

We desire to start a mineral display in the Mirror office window and will give space for all specimens brought in. Each will be labeled with the name of the mineral, the mine from which it was taken, and the name of the owner or operator.

Mayor Riley,

Dear Sir: I want to be able to make Mansfield soon to look over your mining properties, and the country in general. I thank you for your kind offer. Please send me another copy of the Mansfield Mirror.

Respectfully,
Cary Jones
Carthage, Mo.

Entertains Embroidery Club

The ladies of the Embroidery Club, together with their husbands and a few invited guests were the guests Tuesday evening of O. L. Robinett and wife at a Washington's birthday party. The decorations were pink and white, and the color scheme was carried out in the refreshments. Rook was enjoyed during the evening. Red carnations were the favors. About twenty-five were present.

Decision Upheld

The Springfield court of appeals upheld the decision of the circuit court of Wright county in the suit of the Ozark Fruit Growers' association against Louis Erb of Cedar Gap in which the association sought to collect certain commission for the handling of fruit for Mr. Erb. The lower court rendered a verdict in favor of the defendant.—Springfield Leader.

D. S. and F. J. Cantrell went to St. Louis last week where they had on the market 75 head of corn-fed steers, averaging 1,203 pounds each. They bought the steers last May when they weighed 750 pounds each. Besides three cars of cattle they had two of hogs on the market. The cattle brought \$7.55 per 100 pounds.

20 Per Cent Guaranteed

This investment will make you rich. Read every line.

Omaha, Nebraska.

My Dear Sir:—

Knowing that you are always interested in and open for investment in a good, live business proposition, I take the liberty of presenting to you herewith what seems to me to be a most wonderful business, and in which no doubt you will take a lively interest and perhaps some stock.

The object of the Company is to operate a large cat ranch some place in the Ozarks where land can be purchased cheap for the purpose.

We propose to start the ranch with One Hundred Thousand cats. Each cat will average 12 kittens a year. The skins without the meows, sell for 10 cents each for the pure white ones and 75 cents for the pure blacks. This will give us Twelve Million skins a year to sell, at an average cost of 30 cents apiece, making our revenue about \$10,000 per day gross.

A man ought to skin at least fifty cats a day. At 5 cents each, this would amount to \$2.50 each, or a total outlay of \$250.00 per day, as we figure that it will take about One Hundred men to operate the ranch, therefore our net profit will be \$9,750 a day. As the above would be practically the only expense we would have, as we propose starting a rat ranch next door to feed the cats, and as rats multiply four times as fast as cats, if we start with One Million rats, we will have four rats per day for each cat, which with the tea will get from the cat-nips will be plenty.

Then we will feed the rats on the carcasses of the cats, from which the skins have been taken, giving each rat one fourth of a cat, which experts claim is plenty for anything but wharf rats.

When it is understood that these cats have what no other animal has—kittens—it will be seen that the business will be self-acting, automatic, and consequently profitable from the start, as the cats will eat the rats and the rats will eat the cats, and we will get the skins.

Awaiting your early reply, and trusting you will appreciate this opportunity to get rich quickly, I am,

Yours very truly,
W. A. F.

P. P.—While the above is a good READING investment, we could not recommend it for your wife and children. The best possible investment for them is a policy in the Woodmen of the World. For particulars see—C. M. SEAL, Clerk.

Opportunity knocks but once. Opportunity is not a habitual knocker.

W. O. W.
MANSFIELD CAMP, No. 651
\$25,000,000.00 Assets
R. N. FARREN, C. C.
C. M. SEAL, Clerk

W. O. W.
Mansfield Camp, No. 651, Woodmen of the World, met at Dr. F. H. Riley's office Saturday evening and elected officers for this year as follows:

R. N. Farren, Council Commander
Dr. F. H. Riley, Past Council Commander
B. Morris, Advisor Lieutenant
W. A. Black, Banker
C. M. Seal, Clerk
Thomas Dean, Watchman
George Frye, Sentinel
Dr. J. A. Fuson, Physician.
Managers—R. J. Freeman for 3 years, E. A. Sisk for 2 years, L. Leatherman for 1 year.

The camp will meet at Dr. Riley's office Gaiday evening.

Arrangements will soon be made to secure a hall and hold regular meetings.

A large number of new members have recently been added to this excellent organization and further additions are expected.

Obituary

Mrs. Mary Ann Hight, daughter of Hiram Rippee and wife, was born in Indiana Feb. 25, 1831. She moved with her parents to Wright county, Mo., in June, 1837. She married James Hight March 21, 1850, in Wright county. To this union were born five children, four boys and one girl. One boy is dead. Sister Hight departed this life from her home in Mansfield Feb. 14, 1916, at 3 a. m. If she had lived until the 25th she would have been 55 years old; in March she would have been married 66 years. She had been a Christian 70 years. At the age of 15 she became religious and joined the Methodist church and was a member of it for about three years; about 30 years since she joined the Cumberland Presbyterians and was a faithful member until she crossed the river of death. Out of 11 brothers and sisters, she is survived by one brother, Thomas J. Rippee. She is also survived by her dear husband and four children—John Wesley Hight of Pomona, H. J. and W. H. Hight and Mrs. Mary J. King of Mansfield. Aunt Ann was above an average Christian. She stood for the right under all conditions. She was faithful to her church with her money, attendance and prayers. Her life as a Christian was as a shining light; as a wife and mother, true and affectionate. For some years past she has been in declining health and during all these years she said she was ready to go. "Aid is well; I am just waiting; nothing bothers me; I have no fears; let the will of the Lord be done." A good neighbor, Christian, mother and wife has gone; it makes earth poorer and heaven richer. Assisted by Revs. J. M. England and Joseph Davis, the writer conducted the funeral service from her home, after which the body was laid to rest in the Mansfield cemetery. All of the relatives have my prayers and best wishes. J. A. RUSSELL.

James Cameron, aged 52 years, died Tuesday at his home on the Frank Scheuermann place; interment at 4 p. m. today at Douglas county. He is survived by a wife and seven children. The community sympathizes with the bereaved family.

Card of Thanks

We desire to extend our heartfelt thanks to all who so kindly rendered assistance during the sickness and death of our beloved wife and mother.—James Hight and Children.

Teachers' Examination

Teachers' regular examination, will be held at Hartville and Norwood Friday and Saturday March 3d and 4th. Examination will begin at 8 a. m. and 1:30 on both days and close at 12:30 and 6:00 o'clock respectively.

If you intend to take the examination this year you should begin in March as this will give you three examinations to complete. Applicants will write by number. Send in your fee and get your receipt and number before the day of examination. Be on time and hear the instructions. Order of subjects as heretofore.

Respectfully,
JOHN M. CARTER,
Superintendent.

J. D. Newton of Riverside Farm knows how to raise hogs and how to raise them profitably. So far this year he has marketed hogs of his own raising to the value of \$349.50, besides what he butchered for family use, and from one of them, weighing 500 pounds, secured 16 gallons of lard. Last week he sold to D. S. Cantrell a bunch of August pigs averaging over 135 pounds each. Others who delivered hogs to Mr. Cantrell the same day were Mrs. J. B. Kelley, Alex Kelley and H. J. Rice.